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Non-governmental organizations

The Economic and Social Council, recognizing the valuable contributions of the non-governmental organizations mentioned in Council decision 1993/220 of 26 May 1993 to the work of the Commission on Sustainable Development, and taking into account Council resolution 1296 (XLIV) of 23 May 1968, as updated, and its relevant paragraph 53, as well as Council decision 1994/300 of 29 July 1994, decides:

(a) That the Council and its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations should process the applications for a consultative relationship of those non-governmental organizations under the relevant provisions of Council resolution 1296 (XLIV), as updated;

(b) To maintain on an exceptional basis the rights and privileges conferred on those non-governmental organizations mentioned in its decision 1993/220, in accordance with its decision 1993/215, for the purposes of the Commission on Sustainable Development and the special session of the General Assembly to review and appraise the implementation of Agenda 21, until the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations is able to process the applications mentioned above;

(c) That the Committee should improve, streamline and update its working methods to enable it to process those applications and its normal workload, in a timely manner.

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

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